

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Applicants : Sumi TANAKA, et al. Confirmation No.: 2808
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Examiner : Ram Kackar
Group Art Unit : 1792
For : SUBSTRATE HOLDING STRUCTURE AND
SUBSTRATE PROCESSING APPARATUS

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF JANUARY 26, 2009

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in reply to the Office Action mailed January 26, 2009, to which the time for response is set to expire April 26, 2009. Please accept this Response as timely filed.

Please further amend this application as follows.

Amendment to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.